

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A REVISED

DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

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PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD

May 7, 2009 THROUGH June 20, 2009

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Revised Draft EIR for New Stockton Courthouse in San Joaquin County

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the purpose of this Notice of Availability (NOA) is to inform interested parties that the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC), the staff agency of the Judicial Council of California, has prepared a Revised Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for several project description, cultural resource, and traffic/transportation issues. The AOC is soliciting public input on the revised Draft EIR document.

Project Location and Description

The proposed courthouse property is located downtown in Hunter Square Plaza, immediately west of the existing San Joaquin County Courthouse at 222 East Weber Avenue. The new courthouse building will face Weber Avenue, will be approximately twelve stories tall, and will have approximately 325,000 building gross square feet. The new courthouse will have 30 courtrooms compared to the existing building's 22 courtrooms. The new courthouse will primarily support civil, felony, misdemeanor, juvenile dependency, and family law functions. The courtrooms will have a secure circulation system to increase courthouse security, and all courtrooms will have holding capability for in-custody detainees to maximize functional flexibility of the courtrooms. The Revised Draft EIR also analyzes an alternative site at Madison and Washington Streets, which is located approximately 0.3 miles southwest of the Hunter Square site.

WHY THIS NOTICE?

The purpose of this notice is to inform you that the Revised Draft EIR is available, notify you where you can obtain a copy, and inform you how you can provide comments on the document.

For additional information or to provide written comments on the Draft EIR, please contact:

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All mail must be postmarked by 5 PM on June 20, 2009. The deadline for e-mailed comments or faxed comments is 5 PM on June 20, 2009.

You may download a copy of the Revised Draft EIR from the following website: http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/programs/occm/projects-sanjoaquin.htm
In addition, copies of the Revised Draft EIR document will be available for review in the government document repositories of the following locations:

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